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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Bakersfield – City Announces Data Breach from Hacked Click2Gov System

(U) The City of Bakersfield has reported that a “cyber-security incident” may have compromised the personal and financial information of those who used the city’s Click2Gov online payment processor. In a news release, the city said it was notified that legitimate payment cards used through Click2Gov were later detected to have been used in fraudulent activity. The city investigated the initial report and discovered an unauthorized party had inserted a code into the Click2Gov system, which was developed by the third-party vendor CentralSquare Technologies and used by the city to process payments for building permits, utility bills and other activities.

SOURCE: 12 November 2018, [Bakersfield](#)

(U) Menlo Park – Internet Traffic Hijack Disrupts Google Services

(U) An internet diversion that rerouted data traffic through Russia and China disrupted several Google services yesterday, including search and cloud-hosting services. Service interruptions lasted for nearly two hours network service companies said. In addition to Russian and Chinese telecommunications companies, a Nigerian internet provider was also involved. The specific method employed, formally known as border gateway protocol hijacking, can knock essential services offline and facilitate espionage and financial theft. Most network traffic to Google services -94 percent as of 27 October - is encrypted, which shields it from prying eyes even if diverted.

SOURCE: 12 November 2018, [The Washington Times](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Otay Mesa – Five Arrested on Suspicion of Human Trafficking

(U) Border Patrol agents stopped a car in Otay Mesa and arrested five people, including a man who claimed to be a national guardsman from California, for alleged human smuggling a Customs and Border Protection officer said Sunday. The driver of the car claimed to be a California National Guardsman in the process of separating from the service.

SOURCE: 12 November 2018, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Rhode Island – Motorcycle Gang Probe Leads to Dozens of Indictments

(U) Providence – A grand jury has indicted 41 of the 61 people arrested in the spring following a Rhode Island State Police investigation into alleged drug and gun dealing by a motorcycle gang. Those facing charges were rounded up in May as more than 150 state and federal law enforcement personnel executed raids of homes, businesses and Pagans motorcycle club headquarters in multiple communities. Police said at the time the sized 53 guns and large amounts of heroin, marijuana and cocaine.

SOURCE: 9 November 2018, [Associated Press](#)

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UNCLASSIFIED//FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) Cameroon – Kidnappers Free Last of 80 Cameroon Children**

(U) Douala – Kidnappers yesterday freed the last of about 80 schoolboys taken hostage last week in a raid on a school in west Cameroon, said a church minister who negotiated their release and a regional official. Armed men seized the children, their principal and other adults in Bamenda, a center of the country's troubled English-speaking region where separatists are fighting to form a breakaway republic called Ambazonia. Most were freed last week, but two boys, the principal and a dormitory warden remained hostage until Monday.

SOURCE: 12 November 2018, [Reuters](#)

(U) Jordan – 10 Sentenced for ISIS Claimed Attack

(U) Amman – Jordan's state security court sentenced 10 defendants to prison today, with terms ranging from three years to life, for their role in an ISIS attack on a popular tourist site that killed 14 people, including a Canadian tourist. The December 2016 attack on the Karak castle in southern Jordan marked the first time ISIS extremists claimed responsibility for a large-scale attack on a civilian site in Jordan.

SOURCE: 13 November 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Peru – 14 Arrested in Suspected Child Trafficking

(U) Lima – Police arrested 14 people in Peru and took a five-month-old baby into protective custody, dismantling a human trafficking ring suspected of selling children taken from vulnerable women. The arrests were the result of an early morning raid yesterday that targeted a group “dedicated to the sale of minors and abortions,” the Public Ministry of Peru said. Hundreds of police officers raided 18 homes and businesses in the city of Arequipa as part of the operation. Investigators said it is still unclear how many children may have been trafficked, who the group intended to sell them to and why.

SOURCE: 12 November 2018, [The New York Times](#)

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